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Correspondent Who Has Just Returned From City Tells of Destruction by Germans—Forty Thousand of Population of Quarter Million Remain, Mostly Living in Cellars

LONDON, Oct. 28.—The correspondent of the Morning Post, who has just returned from Rheims, telegraphs from Paris that the insurance companies estimate the damage at Rheims at \$200,000,000. At the mayor's office, it is stated, the correspondent has found that this estimate will be exceeded when sundry damage to private property is added.

Over two hundred civilians were killed in the streets and houses during the bombardment, the correspondent says. "About one-fourth of all the buildings were destroyed. The most severe damage was done to the houses of the middle and lower classes, and most historic buildings are located."

During the crisis owing to the scarcity of money, the municipality issues a curious emergency currency like theatre tickets.

The cathedral is a ruin. It is crumbling and big lumps of stone continually fall off. The walls are crumbling off and cannot be replaced until the walls are made secure. Under the circumstances a severe winter would be fatal to the remains of the building.

## COUNCIL DECIDES TO GIVE EVERY AID

## TO MILITIA FORCES

All City Grounds Will be Avail-

### able For Drilling—Transportation For Men

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Discarding its former attitude of passivity toward military matters, the

city council last night decided it was high time for it to actively assist the militia department or organized volunteer units in every way possible. Following this change in attitude it instructed the city commissioners to offer the use of any city grounds for

For all other purposes, the use of all buildings at the exhibition grounds as barracks if needed, the use of the street cars for men going to and from drills and any other forms of aid that may be required at any time.

regard to the volunteers here," declared Alderman Driscoll. "Calgary has given over all its fair grounds. We should do the same, and further, we should have here a headquarters for the mobilization of troops in Alberta."

It was suggested that the city might wish to rent the arena at the fair grounds as a rink this winter, but Alderman Sheppard declared that the council should "not hold up the fire at this time for the sake of a cotton stick" and so it was decided

Commissioner Harrison reported that the commanding officers of the various military and volunteer units had stated they agreed that the best

the city had agreed that the best way to handle the problem of free street railway transportation for volunteers was to have special tickets given to each commanding officer. These will be distributed at drill, each man getting two tickets, one to go to the drill and one to go home.

The council also decided to have a civic officer investigate all cases where former city employees left to go to

front or for active service in Canada. The city will add to the governmental grants paid to the families of such men enough to bring the money thus received up to the same level as the salary paid the employee before he left.

MANCHESTER COMMERCE  
SUNK BY STRIKING  
MINE NORTH OF IRELAND

BELFAST, Ireland, Oct. 27, via London.—The British freight steamer Manchester Commerce, bound from Manchester for Montreal, struck a mine at midnight last night and sank, with loss of lives and property.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 27, via London.—The admiralty has warned ship owners that the Germans have succeeded in laying mines around the coast of the British Isles.

ould therefore not pass within  
xty miles of Tory Island. It is con-  
sidered probable that it was one of  
these mines that the British steamer  
Manchester Commerce struck.

**CALLES RESIGNS.**  
MEXICO CITY, Oct. 27.—General Calles has submitted his resignation to the Aguas Calientes convention. His offer to relinquish his post as supreme chief of the nation, however, is conditional on the retire-

**BURNED TO DEATH IN CAR.**  
WINDSOR, Ont., Oct. 27.—Robert  
Dinning, 26 and William Brown, 45,  
were burned to death in a box car in  
the Clippert brick yard, near Detroit,

















1. The first step is to identify the problem or question that needs to be answered. This involves understanding the context and the specific requirements of the task.

